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C O N F I D E N T I A L PARIS 24874

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SUBJECT: RESIGNATION OF PRIME MINISTER CHIRAC

REF: PARIS 24730

1. BRITISH EMBASSY PARIS HAS JUST INFORMED POST THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS SENT FORMAL CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWLY-APPOINTED PRIME MINISTER RAYMOND BARRE, BUT DECIDED AGAINST SENDING ANY COMMUNICATION TO JACQUES CHIRAC. THE REASON GIVEN WAS THE HARSHNESS OF CHIRAC'S DEPARTING STATEMENT (PARA 1 REFTEL). THE BRITISH EMBASSY DECIDED THAT A NOTE TO CHIRAC EXPRESSING SATISFACTION OVER THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP ENJOYED BY THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER AND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT COULD BE COMPROMISING BECAUSE OF THE BAD RELATIONS BETWEEN CHIRAC AND GISCARD AT THE END OF THE FORMER'S TENURE.

2. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO TAKE THE ABOVE INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN WEIGHING THE ADVISABILITY OF SENDING A NOTE TO THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER.
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